Amendments in the Land Revenue Rules and Standing Orders relating thereto, issued during the official year 1894-95.

I. ORDER No. 1054—J. 71, DATED 17TH JULY 1894.

Note to para 3 of Rule XLIII of the L. R. Rules.

Revenue officers are not competent to entertain suits against the Government or its officers and pass decrees thereon.

II. ORDER No. 2367-75—G. F. 83-93, DATED 8TH AUGUST 1894.

Note to para 9, Rule VIII.

A clause should be inserted in the engagement entered into by Treasurers to the effect that they would themselves meet any cost that may be incurred on account of the safe custody of the securities lodged by them.

III. NOTIFICATION No. 2873—R. F. 183-92, DATED 17TH AUGUST 1894.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore direct the following alterations being made in the rules for the delimitation of the margin of land to be kept uncultivated below the bunds of tanks, issued under Notification No. 21429—R. F. 183-92, dated 18th June 1893 :—

(1) In Rule VI after the words "the following Taluks" add "and Hoblis."

(2) In the same Rule for "Byagadahalli, Maranahalli and Hanbal Hoblis of the Manjarabad Taluk" of the Hassan District, substitute "Manjarabad Taluk, the Hoblis of Belur, Arehalli, Bikkode and Sanivarasante, and Kasaba Belur of the Belur Taluk, the Ponnatpur, Palya, Alur and Kattaya Hoblis of the Hassan Taluk, and the Mallipatna Hobli of the Arkalgud Taluk."

IV. ORDER No. 4894-901—R. F. 60-94, DATED 10TH SEPTEMBER 1894.

Note to Rule XLIV, para 1.

Process fees should not be levied, unless it becomes necessary to employ a Process Service establishment. The existing practice of levying fees, though a Process Service establishment has not been maintained, should be discontinued.

V. NOTIFICATION No. 5172—R. 755, DATED 14TH SEPTEMBER 1894.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore direct that the accompanying form be treated as Form No. 2, Appendix C, and that the following be read as para 16 of Rule IX of the Rules issued under the Mysore Land Revenue Code :—

"16. Applications for acquisition of lands submitted to Government by Officers of and above "the grade of Amildars should be in Form No. 2, Appendix C."

FORM No. 2, APPENDIX C.

(*Vide* RULE IX, PARA 16.)

Form of application for acquisition of lands submitted to Government by officers of and above the grade of Amildars :—

Particulars to be entered by the applicant.									Particulars to be furnished by the Deputy Commissioner or Head of the Department.							
Name and official designation of the officer making the application.	Name of the Taluk and the village in which the land proposed to be acquired is situated.	Particulars of the land.					How proposed to be acquired (whether by sale, gift, mortgage or otherwise).	Valuable consideration, if any.	How the purchaser proposes to manage the property.	Whether the management of the property will in any way interfere with the proper discharge of his duties.	Whether the seller or the donor of the property is one who has constant dealings with the officer in column 1, such as are likely to influence him to part with his property against his free will.	Whether the price paid for the property is fair and reasonable.	Why the property is parted with.	Whether the property is acquired as an investment or for convenience of residence or for use as kitchen garden.	Whether, if the property proposed to be acquired is Government waste land, any applications for the same have hitherto been received and refused.	Whether, in consideration of all the circumstances and the general character of the officer concerned, the application may be granted without creating any false impression on the minds of the people.	Any other remarks.
		Description of land (wet, dry, or garden).	Whether Govt. or Inam.	Survey number.	Area.	Assessment.											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

VI. ORDER No. 8660-8—R. 1284, DATED 28TH NOVEMBER 1894.

Note to Rule XIX, para 2.

Land irrigated by jungle stream is liable to a water-rate to be fixed under para 2 of Rule XIX of the Land Revenue Rules, and that cultivated under a well is not liable to any extra charge.

VII. ORDER No. 8683-91—R. 1285, DATED 28TH NOVEMBER 1894.

Note to Rules V and VI.

Village Account Form No. V, which is the Shanbhog's monthly demand, collection and balance statement, need not be preserved permanently, but may be destroyed three years after its receipt into the Taluk records. Abstracts of Forms XIV and XV (demand, collection and balance statement of each raiyat in an Inam village and Register of lands, respectively), should be preserved in the same way as Form No. X, Rent Roll of raiyats holding Government lands.

VIII. ORDER No. 9618-25—R. 1441, DATED 11TH DECEMBER 1894.

Note to Rule XXXVI, para 8.

The principle upon which para 8 of Rule XXXVI is based, is that if the lands contained in the holding sold are considered by the people to be not worth one year's assessment, they must indeed be of a very poor quality, and it is hard to press the defaulter to pay their assessment from his other property; but if there are circumstances to show that the lands are not so poor as the rule presumes them to be, or that the defaulter did reap, or could have reaped, sufficient produce from them and yet failed to pay their assessment, or that the non-realization of the arrear in the sale is due to causes not connected with the poverty of the soil, the Deputy Commissioner may refuse to recommend the remission of the arrear.

IX. NOTIFICATION No. 9636—R. F. 215-92, DATED 11TH DECEMBER 1894.

Rule XXIII.

6 A. The preceding rules contained in paras 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall not apply to lands situated within half a mile of the boundary of any railway station. In these cases the provisions of Sections 63 and 64 should be strictly enforced.

When an application is made for the appropriation of any land within the limits above specified, for non-agricultural purposes, the Deputy Commissioner should obtain the previous sanction of Government before granting it or imposing any assessment under clauses (*b*) and (*c*) of Section 48 of the Land Revenue Code.

2. After para 7 of Land Revenue Rule XX insert the following as para 7 A:—

"7 A. Within half a mile of the boundary of any railway station, no unoccupied Government "land shall be given for private occupation of any kind without the previous sanction of Government in "each individual case."

X. ORDER No. 9767-75—R. F. 154-93, DATED, BANGALORE, 13TH DECEMBER 1894.

The following will be substituted for para 4 of Government Proceedings No. 13101-9—R. F. 54-93, dated 6th February 1894:—

Note to the Rules contained in Appendix E.

"4. No new unoccupied lands can be granted on this special tenure. All lands newly to be "taken up must be granted with full rights of occupancy and upon "the full or proper assessment at coffee, or dry or wet rates as "may be fixed by the Survey Department, or the Deputy Commissioner. The grass tenure, Deputy Commissioners will observe, "does not convey full rights of occupancy, for it reserves in full to the Government all rights to reserved trees and minerals and to increased assessment when brought under cultivation."

XI. NOTIFICATION No. 10510—R. F. 147-92, DATED 20TH DECEMBER 1894.

The following will be substituted for para 4, Rule X of the Mysore Land Revenue Rules:—

"4. The Local Funds, Public Works, and other Public Departments and Municipalities, or their "contractors, if specially authorized by them to do so, may, subject to the payment of such royalty as "may be prescribed by Government, remove earth, stone, kankar, sand, muram and other material, from "the beds of rivers, nallas, or public tanks, or from any unassessed land or any unoccupied assessed "land not assigned for special purposes, for Government works or works of public utility, but the Deputy "Commissioner may prohibit the removal of the materials under this Rule from specified localities, or "impose such conditions as may be considered proper."

XII. ORDER No. 16827-34—R. 2370, DATED 6TH APRIL 1895.

Note to para 1, Rule X.

2. When new villages are formed, advantage should be taken to attend to their sanitary and other requirements by providing straight streets and wide roads admitting of side drains and avenue trees. The attention of the Deputy Commissioners is drawn to paras 4 and 5 of the Rules published with the late Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 1793—G. 46, dated 21st May 1877.

XIII. ORDER No. 17512-20—R. 2508, DATED, 12TH APRIL 1895.

Note to para 1, Rule X.

Before setting apart any land for the burial ground of any community, it seems to be desirable that the views of the leading towns-people must be ascertained; and if there is a Municipality established in the place, the members of such Board are entitled to state their opinion.

XIV. ORDER No. 17753-9—R. F. 2-94, DATED 17TH APRIL 1894.

Note to para 20, Rule XX.

Amildars should make it a rule to check the Dharkhast file once a quarter and see to the speedy disposal of Dharkhasts for land, which is at once beneficial to the raiyat and to the Government.

XV. ORDER No. 19931-9—R. 2856, DATED 6TH MAY 1895.

Note to para 22, Rule XX.

It is the duty of Revenue officers conducting sales of land to inspect beforehand the land concerned, and in doing so, they should invariably use the latest map. Old maps should never be used unless the subsequent corrections have been made and certified to by a responsible officer.

XVI. ORDER No. 24070-8—R. F. 6-94, DATED 16TH JUNE 1895.

Note to para 9, Rule XX.

2. The practice of asking the Superintendent of Survey to assess gomal lands before the receipt of orders of Government sanctioning their alienation, should be discontinued.

XVII. ORDER No. 22960-8—R. F. 176-93-94, DATED, 10TH JUNE 1895.

Note to Rule XXVII.

The Government observe that the minimum prescribed for dry lands ought not to apply to coffee lands, owing to the special features of which, a large minimum has been laid down. The limit prescribed for absolute relinquishment should be followed when dealing with transfers, as, if both kinds of transactions are not put on the same footing, the rule as to relinquishment may be very easily evaded by giving a transfer in one year and the transferree relinquishing it in the next year. The making of the portion thus transferred into a separate number will, far from mitigating the evil, enhance it. If it is not a separate number or a recognized share, it cannot be relinquished absolutely; whereas if it is, such facilities are increased for giving up parts of holding smaller than the required minimum area.

XVIII. ORDER No. 24973—R. 3701, DATED, 26TH JUNE 1895.

Note to Rule IX, paras 7 to 14.

Government observe that in an agricultural country like Mysore with a service drawn from the people of the country, the rules of British India prohibiting European officers acquiring lands must not be applied (*vide* Rules under the Land Revenue Code).

Government servants in Mysore are allowed to acquire lands, when such acquisition is perfectly above-board, the lands are outside the jurisdiction of the officer acquiring, and the officer not dividing his attention between his official duty and his lands. Every case of proposed acquisition will of course be scrutinized and sanction refused if any use of official position now or hereafter is to be apprehended, but no public official must be placed under a disability to acquire lands, as such a procedure will compel them to resort to *benami* transactions.

XIX. ORDER No. 25036-7—R. 3724, DATED 28TH JUNE 1895.

Note to Rule XXXII, para 4.

2. If the practice of compelling the village officials to pay the revenue due by defaulters so as to enable the Taluk authorities to show a nil balance prevails to any extent it is highly objectionable and must be discontinued.

Prices-Current (*Retail*) of Food Grains, Firewood, and Salt in the Province of Mysore during the fortnight ending the 15th September 1895.

Quantity per rupee by the standard seer of 80 tolas, *vide* Government of India No. 1—21, dated 10th February 1874.

Fortnight ending—	No.	Districts.	Wheat.						Barley.						Rice, best sort.						Rice, common.						Javar or Cholam, *Sorghum Vulgare.*						Bajra or Kambur, *Pennisetum typhoideum.*					
			Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.	
			Seers.	Chittaks.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.
15th Sept. 1895.	1	Bangalore ..	13	8	12	8	10	12	10	8	10	0	11	8	7	8	8	0	8	8	9	8	9	0	9	8	24	0	24	0	22	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2	Kolar ..	10	12	11	8	9	12	11	12	10	0	9	0	8	12	9	0	10	8	9	12	10	0	11	0	23	0	21	0	23	0	25	0	18	0	18	0
	3	Tumkur ...	13	0	13	8	14	0	12	0	11	8	11	0	8	8	9	0	9	0	9	8	10	0	10	0	25	0	25	0	23	0	32	0	35	0	26	0
	4	Mysore ...	12	0	12	0	11	0	11	0	11	0	10	12	7	12	7	12	8	0	9	4	9	0	10	0	29	0	30	0	19	0	19	0	18	0	0	0
	5	Hassan ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	8	12	0	10	8	8	0	9	0	9	0	9	0	10	0	10	0	...	...	18	0	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
	6	Shimoga ...	14	15	13	6	12	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	6	7	14	8	6	11	5	11	9	11	9	29	6	27	13	27	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
	7	Kadur ...	11	0	12	0	10	0	12	0	12	0	11	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	8	Chitaldrug ...	15	0	15	0	13	0	14	0	14	0	13	0	9	0	10	0	10	0	11	0	11	8	12	0	36	0	36	0	28	0	24	0	24	0	20	0
		Average ...	12	14	12	13	11	9	11	13	11	8	10	13	8	4	8	9	8	15	9	15	10	3	10	6	27	12	25	15	25	10	25	4	24	0	20	8

Quantity per rupee by the standard seer of 80 tolas, *vide* Government of India No. 1—21, dated 10th February 1874.

Fortnight ending—	No.	Districts.	Marua or Nagi, *Eleusine Coracana.*						Kangni or Kakun, Italian millet *(Setaria Italica.)*						Gram, Chenna, Chola Kadale or Sunaga *Cicer Arietinum.*						Indian corn or Maize *(Zea Mays.)*						Arhar or Thur Gadjan, Pea. *(Cajanus indicus.)*						Firewood.						Salt.					
			Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.		Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.	
			Seers.	Chittaks.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.
15th Sept. 1895.	1	Bangalore ..	31	0	29	8	28	12	19	8	...	...	...	...	9	8	10	8	13	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	0	10	8	14	8	96	0	96	0	96	0
	2	Kolar ..	31	0	32	0	30	0	13	0	14	0	18	0	9	8	10	0	10	4	12	0	12	0	13	0	10	0	13	0	12	8	192	0	192	0	150	0
	3	Tumkur ...	32	0	35	0	32	0	35	0	35	0	35	0	9	0	10	0	13	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	0	14	0	14	0	224	0	224	0	224	0
	4	Mysore ...	26	0	25	0	26	0	24	0	24	0	19	0	10	0	10	0	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	0	11	4	11	0	96	0	96	0	96	0
	5	Hassan ...	30	0	32	0	33	0	24	0	..	...	.	...	9	0	10	0	11	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	0	14	0	13	0	200	0	200	0	200	0
	6	Shimoga ...	39	14	37	14	36	0	...	...	.	..	...	...	9	11	9	3	13	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	320	0	240	0	320	0
	7	Kadur ...	28	0	28	0	24	0	...	...	.	..	...	...	9	0	9	0	11	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	0	8	0	8	0	240	0	240	0	240	0
	8	Chitaldrug ...	48	0	48	0	36	0	42	0	42	0	40	0	12	0	11	0	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	0	12	0	14	0	175	0	175	0	320	0
		Average ...	33	4	33	7	30	11	26	4	28	12	28	0	9	11	9	15	12	4	12	0	12	0	13	0	11	9	11	13	12	7	192	14	182	14	205	12

			Salt.					
			Present return.		Next preceding return.		Corresponding return of last year.	
			S.	c.	S.	c.	S.	c.
15th Sept. 1895.	1	Bangalore ..	9	8	10	4	10	0
	2	Kolar ..	9	12	10	0	10	0
	3	Tumkur ...	10	0	10	0	10	0
	4	Mysore ...	10	0	10	0	10	0
	5	Hassan ...	8	12	9	0	8	8
	6	Shimoga ...	10	8	10	8	10	8
	7	Kadur ...	10	8	10	8	10	8
	8	Chitaldrug ...	9	0	9	0	9	0
		Average ...	9	10	9	12	9	10

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